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Title: The Minister of state in the Prime Minister's Office and Minister of State in the Minister Psersonnel, Public Griveances and Pensions laid a statement regarding Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 189th Report of the Standing Committee on Science and Technology, Environment and Forests on Demands for Grants (2008-09), pertaining to the Department of Space.

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRI PRITHVIRAJ CHAVAN): Sir, I beg to lay the statement on the status of implementation of recommendations contained in the 189th Report of the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Science and Technology, Environment and Forests on Demands for Grants 2008-09 of Department of Space, in pursuance of Direction 73A of hon. Speaker, Lok Sabha, issued under the provisions of Rule 389 of Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Lok Sabha *vide* Lok Sabha Bulletin-Part II (No. 456) dated September 1, 2004.

The Parliamentary Standing Committee took evidence of the representatives of the Department of Space on 3rd April 2008 while considering Demands for Grants for the year 2008-09. The Committee recommended the Demands for Grants of the Department of Space in its 189th Report presented to the Rajya Sabha on 29th April 2008 and laid on the Table of the Lok Sabha on 29th April, 2008.

There were eight (8) recommendations contained in the Committee's Report. The `Action Taken Report' on all the recommendations of the Committee was furnished by Department of Space during September, 2008.

The Committee, considered the Action Taken Report and adopted the same in its meeting held in October, 2008. While accepting with satisfaction the action taken by the Department, the Committee have made further suggestions, which are

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continuing in nature. The Department has noted these suggestions for implementation. A statement indicating the action taken/status of all the recommendations contained in the Standing Committee Report is annexed.

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